

To: Worksite Blood Drive Coordinators

From: The State Employee Blood Challenge Team

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## **LET THE GAMES BEGIN:**

Starting May 15, we are kicking off **Department Competitions**.

The competitions will be based on the percentage of employees per department who donate blood at State of Michigan worksites and/or community blood drives.

All State of Michigan departments, branches of government and agencies are invited to participate.

## We need the help of ALL State worksite 'blood drive coordinators' statewide:

1<sup>st</sup> -- We are asking all 'worksite blood drive coordinators' (this is voluntary) to track the number of pints of blood donated per department at each worksite drive and email the total number to Carol Twiss, *Blood Challenge Coordinator*: twissc@michigan.gov.

**2**<sup>nd</sup> – State employees from other departments may come to donate at another worksite. The special *downloadable 'ID Cards'* @ www.michigan.gov/bloodchallenge, which shows name, date and department where employed, **need to be available at all blood drives** to track employees who are not employed at the worksite 'sponsoring' the drive. Please total the number of donations per department and email this to Carol - twissc@michigan.gov.

**3<sup>rd</sup>** -- Also, there are several SOM worksites with more than one department, which creates a problem in that the 'sponsoring' department gets credit for all of the donations received during the drive. Again, the special **downloadable 'ID Cards' need to be available** to track department donations. Please total the donations per department and email this to Carol - twissc@michigan.gov.

With the help of SOM 'Worksite Blood Drive Coordinators' tracking department blood donations, let the DEPARTMENT COMPETITIONS begin!

Let's see who donates the most to 'help save lives'.

"One donation - Your donation can save 3 lives."